

# City of Southgate

## Regular City Council Meeting

### September 6, 2023

A Regular Meeting of the Council of the City of Southgate was held on Wednesday, September 6, 2023 in the Southgate City Hall Council Chambers and was called to order at 7:00 PM by Council President Zoey Kuspa.

**This meeting began with the Pledge of Allegiance.**

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Present: Priscilla Ayres-Reiss, Bill Colovos, Karen George, Christian Graziani, Greg Kowalsky, Zoey Kuspa, Phil Rauch  
Absent:  
Also Present: Mayor Joseph G. Kuspa, City Attorney Ed Zelenak, City Administrator Dan Marsh, Assistant City Administrator/Finance Director Doug Drysdale, City Clerk Janice Ferencz, City Treasurer Chris Rollet, Public Safety Director Joe Marsh, Fire Chief Justin Graves, Police Chief Mark Mydlarz, Building Inspections Director Tim Leach & Recreation Director Julie Goddard

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#### **Minutes:**

Moved by Colovos, supported George, RESOLVED, that the minutes of the City Council Work Study Session dated August 16, 2023 be approved as presented. Carried unanimously.

Moved by Rauch, supported by Ayres-Reiss, RESOLVED, that the minutes of the Regular City Council Meeting dated August 16, 2023 be approved as presented. Carried unanimously.

#### **Scheduled Persons in the Audience**

1. Robert Pawlowski, 12757 Chestnut St, presented Maya Freitas & Leila Hilden as the new members that will be taking over his position as District 15 Representative of the Wayne Commission Youth Council.

#### **Communications "A":**

1. Letter from Mayor; Re: Purchase of Gasboy Fuel Management System Upgrade moved by Colovos, supported by George, RESOLVED THAT the Southgate City Council waive the bid process and approve the purchase of the Gasboy Fuel Management System Upgrade to R.W. Mercer Co. (2322 Brooklyn Road Jackson, MI 49203-0180) in the amount of \$14,356.00. Motion carried unanimously.
2. Letter from Mayor; Re: Purchase of Network Infrastructure Upgrades moved by Ayres-Reiss, supported by Rauch, RESOLVED THAT the Southgate City Council waive the bid process and approve the purchase of network infrastructure upgrades from NewEgg Business (17560 Rowland Street, City of Industry, CA 91748) in the amount of \$7,814.91. Motion carried unanimously.
3. Memo from Administrator; Re: MI Community Centers Grant-YMCA Support Letter moved by George, supported by Colovos, RESOLVED that the Southgate City Council supports the YMCA of Metropolitan Detroit's submission of an application titled, "Downriver Family YMCA Pickleball Court Project" to the MI Community Center grant program for the conversion of a shuttered outdoor pool into Pickleball Courts, creating a sustainable, fun, physical activity resource for the Southgate Community at the Downriver Family YMCA, 16777 Northline Rd. Southgate, MI 48195; and,

WHEREAS, the location of the proposed project is within the jurisdiction of City of Southgate and,

WHEREAS, the proposed project, if completed, will be a benefit to the community by repurposing a currently inoperable pool into a new recreation amenity; and,

WHEREAS, the proposed project, is in alignment with the City of Southgate's Recreation Master Plan.

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NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City of Southgate hereby supports submission of a MI Community Center Grant Application for the Downriver Family YMCA Pickleball Court Project.

Motion carried unanimously.

### **Ordinances:**

1. Memo from Administrator; Re: 1<sup>st</sup> Reading of Proposed Section 1298.18 Sign Ordinance as this is the first reading, no action by council is required.

### **Unscheduled Persons In Audience**

1. Nancy O'Brien, 14155 Poplar, discussed her concerns about the Dog Park
2. Thomas Sisan, 13290 Oakdale, discussed his concerns about the Dog Park
3. Aidan Scott, Allen Park Resident, discussed his concerns about the Dog Park.

### **Claims and Accounts:**

Moved by Graziani, supported by Rauch, RESOLVED, that Claims and Accounts be paid as outlined on Warrant #1480 for \$16,506,939.29. Motion carried unanimously.

### **Adjournment:**

Moved by George, supported by Colovos, RESOLVED THAT this Regular Meeting of the Southgate City Council be adjourned at 7:27 P.M. Carried unanimously.

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Zoey Kuspa  
Council President

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Janice M. Ferencz  
City Clerk